

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 825

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Brenda S. Payne for
laudable service to the State of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those public servants who in their years of work have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, Brenda S. Payne is one such estimable person who has served the State of Tennessee with distinction as Vice President of Resource Development at Volunteer State Community College since 1995; and

WHEREAS, a native of Nashville and graduate of East Nashville Senior High School, Brenda Payne began her professional career in 1968 with National Life/American General Insurance where she served as Regional Director for Group Claims until 1989, when she joined C.N.A. Insurance Company as Manager of Group Claims; and

WHEREAS, in 1994, Brenda S. Payne joined forces with the United Way where she was employed as a Loaned Executive, sharing her expertise and considerable talents; and

WHEREAS, an active and important part of her community, Brenda Payne served as the 1989 and 1996 Chair of the Sumner County United Way, 1987 Co-Chair of the Sumner County United Way Campaign, 1997-1999 Regional Development Chair for United Way of Middle Tennessee and 1998-2000 Treasurer for the Tennessee Council for Resource Development; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Mrs. Payne was the 1998 Volunteer of the Year Terry Colwell Award winner for Sumner County United Way and is a past winner of the Distinguished Alumni Award of Leadership Sumner; and

WHEREAS, highly respected by her colleagues and associates, Brenda Payne is a member of the board of Sumner County United Way, the Hendersonville Rotary Club,

Cumberland Region Tomorrow, and the Sumner Foundation. She is President of the Tennessee Council for Resource Development and a member of Leadership Middle Tennessee Class of 2001-02 and several Chambers of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, Brenda S. Payne exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Brenda Payne is especially thankful for the loving companionship of her devoted husband, Jim, and takes great pride and joy in the time spent with her daughter, stepdaughter, and four grandchildren, as well as her twin sister, Linda; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Brenda S. Payne has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues and all who have had the privilege of working with her; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Brenda S. Payne for her laudable service to the people of Tennessee and wish her every continued success in all her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy